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OKOLONA, MISS., JAN. 21, 1903.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Notices for announcements under this head are the same to one and all: For a first office, \$5; for a County office, \$10; for a District office, \$15; for a State office, \$20. Cash in advance.

FOR SHERIFF.

We are authorized to announce the name of F. S. CLOPTON as a candidate for Sheriff of Chickasaw county, subject to the action of the Democratic Primary.

FOR CHANCERY CLERK.

We are authorized to announce the name of T. W. HAMILTON as a candidate for Chancery Clerk of Chickasaw county, subject to the decision of the Democratic Primary.

Our prices are as low as any, quality considered. G. F. RICHARDS & CO.

If your watch needs doctoring, or your clock is dyspeptic, bring it. Send it or railroad it in and let us cure it for you. That is our business. MAIER'S JEWELRY STORE, Aberdeen, Miss.

Wanted, men to learn barber trade. Practical course given by free work. Expert instructions, lectures, etc. Tools presented, wages Saturdays, board provided, catalogue mailed free. Moler Barber College, New Orleans, La.

I have for sale at a bargain, a nice set of upholstered parlor furniture, as good as new, two Brussels carpets, some nice rugs, one drop head Standard sewing machine, one baby buggy, several nice rockers, several water sets, crockery ware, bedding, etc. Goods are at C. R. King's house in Okolona, where they can be seen.

R. W. KING.

Go and see the fine Watches and Jewelry at G. F. Richards & Co.'s. Same building with Miss Alice Duke's Millinery store.

Monday came with its sunshine, but Tuesday spoiled it all with more rain.

Candidates are beginning to move around lively, and the crop promises to be exceedingly large.

The birthday of General Robert E. Lee was remembered by Okolona Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy on Monday night of this week, and a most enjoyable entertainment given in its honor at the court house. The attendance was large, the young folks entering enthusiastically into the amusements, and the programme was especially appropriate and brilliant.

Invitations have been issued by Mr. and Mrs. P. Dahmer, of Meridian, Miss., for the wedding of their daughters, Miss Mattie Emmeline to Mr. Walter Leo Hanley, and Miss Lula Belle to Mr. Everett Hall Culpepper, which happy event occurs at the Dahmer home in Meridian on the evening of January 21, at 7:30. The many friends of the Dahmer sisters in this city send most kindly greetings and wish for them a long, happy and brilliant life.

The principal features of the New Idea Woman's Magazine for February are, as always, the utilitarian, and in patterns, descriptions of costumes, fancy work, and domestic affairs there is nothing more helpful to the home-maker now published; but the literary features are equally as valuable. The stories are charmingly told and well illustrated. Mrs. E. A. Osborne's paper upon Lincoln, entitled, "A Nation's Patron Saint," is especially appropriate, and Ernest Neal Lyon's poem on Washington emphasizes the patriotic element of the contents. Mrs. Wilson Woodrow's article upon Mrs. Fiske as "Mary of Magdala" continues the series upon the prominent women of the stage.

Eva Clare Lodge, No. 5, K. of P., one of the largest, most harmonious and prosperous secret societies in this part of Mississippi, held an enthusiastic meeting at their fine hall in this city Monday night, and installed officers for the ensuing term. Following is a list of the officers installed:

H. L. Morrison, C. C.
H. Ardern, V. C.
E. O. Murdoch, Prelate.
J. N. Dulaney, K. R. & S.
H. F. Waller, M. E. & S.
L. Neubert, M. A.
C. W. Parchman, I. G.
Will Bell, O. G.
W. T. Adair, M. W.

What a splendid type of tireless activity is the sun as the psalmist describes it! It is like a bridegroom from his chamber and rejoicing like a strong man to run a race. Every man ought to rise in the morning refreshed by slumber and renewed by rest, eager for the struggle of the day. But how rarely this is so. Most people rise still unrefreshed, and dread the strain of the day's labors. The cause of this is deficient vitality, and behind this lies a deficient supply of pure, rich blood, and an inadequate nourishment of the body. There is nothing that will give a man strength and energy, as will Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It does this by increasing the quantity and quality of the blood supply. This nourishes the nerves, feeds the brain, builds up enfeebled organs, and gives that sense of strength and power which makes the struggle of life a joy. The "good feeling" which follows the use of "Golden Medical Discovery" is not due to stimulation as it contains no alcohol, whisky or other intoxicant. It does not brace up the body, but builds it up into a condition of sound health.

Muscles aching, bones breaking, strength failing. That's Malaria! The remedy? Ayer's Malaria and Ague Cure.



And Local Affairs.

Mr. M. Mecklenburger is home for a few days.

Goods sold by us engraved free. G. F. RICHARDS & CO.

Ben Seales, of Troy, Miss., was in Okolona last Wednesday to see his best girl.

Miss Fannie Carlisle was in the city recently, the attractive guest of Mrs. Oscar Trice.

Mrs. Todd, of Pontotoc, has been during the past week the very pleasant guest of Mrs. O. J. Trice.

The Cumberland Presbyterian Missionary Society meets with Mrs. Dale Sansom on the second Friday evening of each month, at 3 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard Murdoch and Mr. John T. Murdoch, of Jackson, Tenn., are the welcome and honored guests of Mr. R. A. Murdoch and Mrs. D. H. Gideon.

Miss Mattie Lee Buchanan entertained Saturday evening with a Flinch party. The evening was greatly enjoyed by the few friends who were participants in the game.

The bright sunshine of Monday brought a goodly number of people to town in spite of the bad roads. Not many of them came a long distance, however. Better roads is the cry of the hour.

Miss Tilla France passed from the sorrows of this world, at the home of her sister, Mrs. Senator Crawford, near Atlanta, on Friday morning, January 16th, 1903. Miss Tilla has been an invalid for years and a patient sufferer.

Miss Hattie Morton, sister of Mrs. Elliott, sustained serious injuries from a fall Friday evening. It is hoped that Miss Hattie will soon recover. The sympathy of all her friends is extended in this, the hour of her great suffering.

Miss Mana Darden was the charming hostess, at its last meeting of the Twentieth Century Club. The programme was successfully and very entertainingly carried out. Dainty refreshments added to the enjoyment of the social part of the programme.

The sheriff's office is besieged now from early morning till a late hour in the evening by the patriotic taxpayers of the county who are anxious to pay into the county's strong box the assessments levied upon them for the maintenance of the county and state.

If there is anything in the old saying that "the early bird catches the worm," Frank Clopton ought to be the next sheriff, and T. W. Hamilton the next chancery clerk of Chickasaw county. These two gentlemen are the first to step forth and announce themselves as candidates.

Rev. Harvey Murdoch, the evangelist, is in the city, to the great pleasure of his old-time friends. Rev. Murdoch preached a most eloquent and divine sermon Sunday morning that thrilled all his hearers with the great truths he unfolded. Sunday evening Rev. Murdoch gave a fine lecture on the Southern Mountaineers.

Our neighboring city of Aberdeen seems to be having its full share of fatalities by accident lately. Hardly had we laid down one paper after reading of the suicide of one prominent citizen, when we picked up another and found in it the report of a young man being caught in whirling machinery and crushed to death.

The Mamie Miller Band, under the management of Miss Mattie Chandler, gave a candy pulling Saturday afternoon, at the home of Mrs. Lizette Miller. The little folks were very happy while handling the candy, and quite a neat little sum (\$3.50) was the result of their combined efforts. The amount realized will go toward the District Parsonage room, furnished by Okolona.

Everybody rejoices over the prospects for Charley Knott's recovery from the frightful accident which befell him in the railroad yards a week ago last Sunday morning, when he was caught in the wheels of a car and had the flesh crushed off one of his legs. He is rallying and has flattering promises of permanent recovery. It seems almost a superhuman escape from death.

The statement of the condition of the Merchants and Farmers' Bank of this city, one of the solid financial institutions of Mississippi, at the close of business December 31, 1902, will be found in this issue. In proportion to the amount of loans shown by the statement the deposits are phenomenal, and the bank informs us that these are largely from the farmers of this section. When a bank shows but \$24,000 of loans and the deposits leave cash on hand of nearly an hundred thousand dollars, it is what bankers call hard business lines. That is they have too much money that is lying idle and earning no interest. The statements of the Merchants and Farmers' Bank are always pleasing to the eyes of their depositors.

State Prohibition Convention.



CALL has been issued for a Mass Meeting at Jackson, Mississippi, for February 17, 1903, of those in the state who favor prohibition. The call is signed by 85 gentlemen, representing 23 counties, and by the three principal officers of the Women's Christian Union. The call is quite lengthy, and recites the status of the liquor traffic in the state from a legalized standpoint for years past.

After a lengthy arraignment of present conditions, in support of the proposition to adopt state prohibition, the writers of the call say:

"It is notorious that alcoholic drink is the greatest of all incitants to crime and one of the greatest demoralizers and disorganizers of labor. In a state with such an immense negro population as ours, it should especially concern our statesmen and all other thoughtful citizens to remove, as far and effectually as possible, this crime and sloth-producing traffic. The thought expressed by England's great statesmen of the last century should become the sentiment and policy of Mississippi, viz: That the state should make it as easy as possible for her citizens to do right and as difficult as possible for them to do wrong.

"The hour has struck when we should go forward and renounce forever the alliance which has hitherto existed between the state and the dram shop. Any time within the last dozen years the prohibitionists of Mississippi, had they been united on plans and policy, could have achieved such a result. For them to neglect or fail to do so with the opportunity now before them, would be a stupendous mistake. Next year, for the first time in the history of the state, nominations for every elective office in Mississippi are to be made directly by the people themselves in a primary election, with all the safeguards thrown around the primary which apply at a regular election. None will be allowed to participate in the Democratic party primary but white qualified electors—persons who have complied with the conditions of Mississippi's high-standard elective franchise laws—thus assuring an electorate of the people which should be the very cream of the state's citizenship. Nominations by the Democratic party primaries will be tantamount to an election at the regular election to follow. If, therefore, prohibitionists, ninety-nine one hundredths of whom are Democrats, will come together, organize and resolve to make this question an issue in the primary for nominating a governor and legislators, victory will be assured. And, if due care is exercised in nominating minor executive officers throughout the state, no fear need be entertained that a carefully drawn state prohibition law will be enforced. Officers thus nominated and elected, backed by Mississippi's able and incorruptible Judiciary, would reduce the "blind tiger" nuisance (always exaggerated by those wishing to bring prohibition into disrepute) to the lowest possible minimum.

"Mississippi occupies a proud and unique position among her sister states. Among the first to recognize the property rights of her women; first to establish an Agricultural and Mechanical college for her boys and an Industrial college for her girls; first among her Southern sisters to abolish the cruel and bloody convict leasing system, and to substitute therefor convict farms under state control; the pioneer and exemplar of all her Southern sisterhood in solving the race problem in politics by constitutional enactment and elevating the standard of the elective franchise; first of all to give to her legal voters a direct individual voice in the nomination of all elective officers—now let her add to her proud fame by becoming the first of the Southern sisterhood to throw off the degrading yoke of the liquor traffic, and place the dram shop under the same legal ban to which she long ago consigned its lesser associates in evil, the gambling den and the brothel.

"All friends of the prohibition who are willing to unite with us in such a movement are earnestly and cordially invited to meet in Jackson on the date above named. It is desired that every county in Mississippi be represented."

NOTE.—All railroads of the state have been requested to grant a reduced rate of one and one-third fare on the certificate plan.

Low Settlers' Rates to the Southwest.

On January 20th, Mobile and Ohio agents from Booneville to Meridian, Miss., will sell one way settlers' tickets to points in Texas, Oklahoma and Indian Territory at very low rates. Ask agents for full information.

A successful man is one who succeeds in making his neighbors think as much of him as he thinks of himself.

Trouble, instead of brewing so much should do a little baking, washing or scrubbing occasionally.

This is the proper season to forgive your enemies. If you have no enemies, forgive a few of your friends.

THE OLDEST MAN IN AMERICA

Tells How He Escaped the Terrors of Many Winters by Using Pe-ru-na.

Mr. Brock's Age is 114 Years.



MR. ISAAC BROCK, BORN IN BUNCOMBE CO., N. C., MARCH 1, 1788. His age is 114 years, vouched for by authentic record. He says: "I attribute my extreme old age to the use of Pe-ru-na."

Born before the United States was formed. Saw 22 Presidents elected. Pe-ru-na has protected him from all sudden changes. Veteran of four wars. Shot a horse when 99 years old. Always conquered the grip with Pe-ru-na. Witness in a land suit at the age of 110 years. Believes Pe-ru-na the greatest remedy of the age for catarrhal diseases.

ISAAC BROCK, a citizen of McLennan county, Texas, has lived for 114 years. For many years he resided at Boque Falls, eighteen miles west of Waco, but now lives with his son-in-law at Valley Mills, Texas.

A short time ago, by request, Uncle Isaac came to Waco and sat for his picture. In his hand he held a stick cut from the grave of General Andrew Jackson, which has been carried by him ever since. Mr. Brock is a dignified old gentleman, showing few signs of decrepitude. His family Bible is still preserved, and it shows that the date of his birth was written 114 years ago.

Surely a few words from this remarkable old gentleman, who has had 114 years of experience to draw from, would be interesting as well as profitable. A lengthy biographical sketch is given of this remarkable old man in the Waco Times-Herald, December 4, 1902. A still more pretentious biography of this, the oldest living man, illustrated with a double column portrait, was given the readers of the Dallas Morning News, dated December 11, 1902, and also the Chicago Times Herald of same date.

This centenarian is an ardent friend of Peru-na, having used it many years. In speaking of his good health and extreme old age, Mr. Brock says:

"After a man has lived in the world as long as I have, he ought to have found out a great many things by experience. I think I have done so.

"One of the things I have found out to my entire satisfaction is the proper thing for ailments that are due directly to the effects of the climate. For 114 years I have withstood the changeable climate of the United States.

"I have always been a very healthy man, but of course subject to the little affections which are due to sudden changes in the climate and temperature. During my long life I have known a great many remedies for coughs, colds and diarrheas.

"As for Dr. Hartman's remedy Peru-na, I have found it to be the best, if not the only, reliable remedy for these affections. It has been my standby for many years, and I attribute my good health and extreme old age to this remedy.

"It exactly meets all my requirements. It protects me from the evil effects of sudden changes; it keeps me in good appetite; it gives me strength; it keeps my blood in good circulation. I have come to rely upon it almost entirely for the many little things for which I need medicine.

"When epidemics of la grippe first began to make their appearance in this country I was a sufferer from this disease.

"I had several long sieges with the grip. At first I did not know that Peru-na was a remedy for this disease. When I heard that la grippe was epidemic catarrh, I tried Peru-na for la grippe and found it to be just the thing."

Yours truly,

Isaac Brock.

For a free book on catarrh, address The Peru-na Medicine Co., Columbus, O. If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peru-na, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis.

Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, Ohio.

Makes itself solid—ice.

Too many grandmothers spoil the child.

Egotism is too often mistaken for genius.

The human windbag rarely blows anybody good.

Warmer weather will settle the coal trust question.

Excessive politeness sometimes inspires suspicion.

Music never comes out at the little end of the horn.

The fellow with an ax to grind doesn't always cut much ice.

Jim Donald says he could quit smoking, easy, if he wanted to.

A woman regards a secret as something that isn't worth keeping.

The under dog may have our sympathy, but we don't bet on him.

The one time when a man doesn't object to having the blues is in a poker game.

Peary says he will go to the Pole for \$150,000. It would be cheaper to send him to Boston.

No, Marde, dear; we have never heard that henpecked men were partial to cocktail.

The professional beggar is always looking for succor, only he doesn't spell it that way.

The announcement that Schwab is coming home would indicate that pay day is near at hand.

The bacillus of hydrophobia has been discovered, but just what made the Mullah mad is still unknown.

There are reported to be thirty-seven Legislatures in session in this country, and still we wonder at crime.

Mascagni was given a benefit the other day he lost money on it. If it were to rain soup that poor man would be caught with a fork.

You know What You Are Taking when you take Grove's Tasteless Chill Tonic because the formula is plainly printed on every bottle showing that it is simply Iron and Quinine in a tasteless form. No Cure, No pay. 50c.

Mardi Gras, New Orleans and Mobile February 18-24, 1903.

Very low rates via the Mobile and Ohio railroad. Ticket on sale February 17th, to 23rd, inclusive, also for trains arriving at destination by noon February 24th. Return limit February 28th, with privilege of extension to March 14th, 1903. For full particulars apply to any Mobile and Ohio representatives or John M. Beall, A. G. P. A., St. Louis, Missouri.

For Drunkenness, Opium, Morphine and other Drug Using, the Tobacco Habit and Neurasthenia.

THE KEELEY INSTITUTE, Dwight, Ill.

Correspondence Strictly Confidential.

Build a house for what you get out of it on as hard as living within your income.

STATEMENT

SHOWING THE CONDITION OF THE

Merchants & Farmers Bank,

OKOLONA, : : : MISSISSIPPI,

On December 31, 1902.

Published by direction of Chapter 14 of Annotated Code of 1892.

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts, including personal endorsements, real estate or collateral securities, \$24,204.44
Overdrafts secured, 4,181.69
Overdrafts unsecured, 2,944.89
Other Real Estate, 3,448.18
Sight Exchange, 83,792.57
Cash on hand, 13,626.42
Advanced on Cotton, 55,721.52
Total, \$187,124.69

LIABILITIES.

Capital paid in, \$25,000.00

Individual Deposits Subject to Check, 162,124.69

Total, \$187,124.69

I, W. E. SAVAGE, cashier of the Merchants and Farmers Bank of Okolona, Miss., do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true, full and exact statement of the Assets and Liabilities of said Bank on the day and date named therein, as shown by the books of same.

SWORN to and subscribed before me, a Notary Public in and for the County of Chickasaw, Mississippi, this 6th day of January, 1903.

T. L. BRAMBLITT, Notary Public.

Examined and found correct.

W. Q. COLE, Auditor.

This 7th day of January, 1903.

No trouble to keep cool!

Coal has reached the point of a positive luxury.

Many a man has spoiled a good cook by marrying her.

It is quite natural that a bride should be well groomed.

The trouble with idle rumors is that they are never idle.

Tombstone epitaphs should be classed as grave literature.

Too many second class politicians are drawing first class salaries.

Everything a millionaire says goes— if he doesn't say "automobile."

It's a good thing to be too busy to attend to other people's business.

The trouble with most people who can't sing is that they don't know it.

When it comes to waiting the awkward man gets there with both feet.

There is no reason why the mathematician shouldn't figure in society.

Barring pawnbrokers, few men take too much interest in their business.

The best part of some sermons is the conclusion reached by the preachers.

The man who has no ancestors worth talking about seldom suffers from gout.

Building a house for what you get out of it on as hard as living within your income.

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ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE.

BY VIRTUE of and in pursuance of a decree of the Chancery court of the Second District of Chickasaw county, state of Mississippi, made in reaction on the 27th day of December, A. D. 1902, the undersigned, administrator of the estate of J. M. Cole, deceased, will, on the

2nd Day of February, 1903,

it being the first Monday of said month, between the hours prescribed by law, in front of the Court House door, in the city of Okolona, in said county, proceed to sell at public auction, to the highest bidder for cash, the lands described as the east half of the southeast quarter of section eight, township twelve, range four east; the northwest quarter of northwest quarter of section five, township twelve, range four east, and undivided half interest in the west half of northwest quarter of section seven, township twelve, range four east, situated and being in the Second District of Chickasaw county, state of Mississippi. The said lands belong to the estate of said J. M. Cole, deceased, and will be sold to pay the debts exhibited and probated against said estate.

H. A. M. COLE, Administrator.

of the Estate of J. M. Cole, Deceased.

A man seldom realizes how much he can't do till he tries.

Misfortunes usually come in pairs, but the first came in an apple.

Raised letters are for the benefit of the blind, but raised cheeks are not.

For a job lot of New Year's resolutions at cut rates, apply to any of your neighbors.

It's a cold day for the plumber when the mercury refuses to take thirty-second degree.

If you want to be a shining mark, cultivate a spirit of fairness instead of learning to play a piano.

When a boy owns a stray dog he says he picked it up on the streets a few days after the show left town.

Hair Splits

"I have used Ayer's Hair Vigor for thirty years. It is elegant for a hair dressing and for keeping the hair from splitting at the ends."

J. A. Gruenfelder, Grantfork, Ill.

Hair-splitting splits friendships. If the hair-splitting is done on your own head, it loses friends for you, for every hair of your head is a friend.

Ayer's Hair Vigor in advance will prevent the splitting. If the splitting has begun, it will stop it.

\$1.00 a bottle. All druggists.

If your druggist cannot supply you, send us one dollar and we will express you a bottle. Be sure and give the name of your nearest express office. Address, J. C. AYER CO., Lowell, Mass.